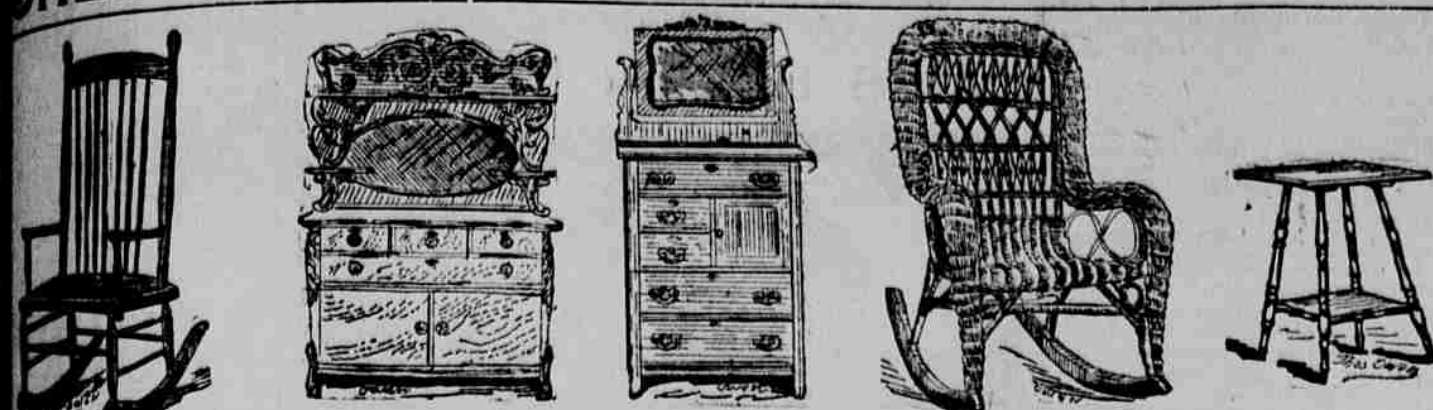


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SHIPPING CATTLE.

How They Are Sent to Foreign Countries. The description of how cattle are sent to foreign countries will be of interest to most readers. Dan O. Lively has been sent from New Orleans, where he is the managing agent of the Texas and Pacific, to the market, and describes it as follows:

At Westwego, which is the terminal of the Texas and Pacific, the splendid elevator and wharf

die horn and roped it. Then another came and I got it, and kept right on until I had thirty-six of them tied together. Then I attached my rope to the bunch and turned them loose. Up, up they went, and while I clung to the rope they not only pulled me out of that well, but they raised me fifty feet above the ground, and how to get down I didn't know. I had a five-shooter, the best gun that was ever made, and drawing it from the holster I began shooting the buzzards one by one until they finally lowered me to the ground. I let go the rope and seven of them flew away with it. Two years later I found that rope in a tree-top near Como, Miss.

"You know I was captured by the Indians and held for eighteen months. I let my hair grow until it reached to my waist, and you can see it was a beautiful shade. I went to Chicago, and a society lady advised me that she offered me \$2500 for it. I took the money and had my hair cut off, and when I returned to Texas the Indians refused to recognize me and I was without a home."

"While held by the Indians, one night twenty-five or thirty persons came into the camp to warm by the fire. One by one I caught them and slapped a branding iron on them. One year later I caught a possum in Northern Montana bearing that brand."

"I was out hunting one day right where Fort Worth stands. I saw a doe with a fawn. I shot the mother and caught the fawn. I put the old X T brand on it and it was loose. Three years later I shot a deer 100 miles west of the City of Mexico, and you can imagine my surprise when I saw the old brand on it."

EX-CONFEDERATE CERTIFICATES.
 Proposition to Validate Locations of Land Under Review.
 Austin, Texas, February 20.—There being a proposition pending before the legislature to validate locations of school land made on certificates issued to ex-Confederates under the act granting them 1250 acres of land, it is worth while going into details and figuring on the extent to which the State is interested in the matter.

The school fund comes in on the deal to the extent of 1,500,000 acres, from which it is deriving no revenue owing to the State's decision declaring the surveys thereof illegal and practically giving up that area of land. A fair idea of what said fund is missing while this land remains in its present condition can be arrived at by considering that under lease those 1,500,000 acres would have brought \$114,000 for the past two years, and that if the present legislature refuses to validate, the same amount will be lost for the next two years, making a total of \$228,000.

On sales the following figures obtain:
 At \$1 first payment for last two years would have been \$93,572
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 Total \$187,144
 At \$2 first payment for last two years would have been \$187,144
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 Total \$374,288
 Add to the above first payment \$187,144
 Total \$561,432
 Amount lost in first payments, without validation \$561,432
 Interest lost in last two years on deferred payments at \$1 per acre \$68,256
 Interest lost in next two years on deferred payments at \$1 per acre \$68,256
 Total \$136,512
 Interest lost in last two years on deferred payments at \$2 per acre \$136,512
 Interest lost in next two years on deferred payments at \$2 per acre \$136,512
 Total \$273,024
 Loss in interest on failure to validate \$273,024
 Loss in interest at \$1 per acre, four years' deferred payments \$136,512
 Loss in interest on first payments, four years at \$1 \$136,512
 Total \$545,548
 Same if sold at \$2 \$1,091,096
 The trouble with the lands located under the Confederate certificates sought to be validated is that the sections surveyed for the school fund were not contiguous thereto. The act providing for the grant did not specifically require contiguity, but Justice Stanton, when the question was raised before the supreme court, held that such absence of a specific declaration that such contiguity was not necessary, the customary statutory requirements in that particular must be observed.

A few months ago the supreme court held that where a section had been located for a holder of a Confederate certificate and another for a Confederate certificate not contiguous, a division of each section between the State and the holder (the State to elect which portion it would take) would fulfill the requirement of contiguity, but as there is no authority under which the land commissioner can incur the expense of a section shall be reserved for the school fund, no such divisions are contemplated by the decision referred to have been made.

As a matter of fact, the intention of the legislature which passed the act giving ex-Confederates the land in controversy was to do away with the requirement of contiguity, as at the same time the passage of said act contiguous sections of such value had been secured some source.

A PROSPEROUS TOWN.

Marlin Is Being Built Up by Her Wonderful Hot Water.

Marlin, Texas, February 19.—There is no town in the State of its size that has as bright and prosperous a future as Marlin; her property is rapidly advancing in price and demands are daily increasing. Strangers are settling here every day and all of them are highly pleased with their choice.

Chief among the reasons of this prosperity is the hot flowing artesian well and the accommodations afforded at the large new hotel—Arlington.

This artesian well, 3450 feet deep, with a capacity of 200,000 gallons per day, coming out at a temperature of 147 Fahrenheit, and a pressure of 120 pounds per square inch. The water is very rich in mineral ingredients, containing 508 grains of solid ingredients to the gallon, divided up as follows: Sodium chloride, 112.39; potassium sulphate, .80; sodium sulphate, 112.82; iron sulphate, 3.02; aluminum sulphate, 12.20; magnesium sulphate, 16.15; lime sulphate, 2.35; lime carbonate, 34.10; sodium bicarbonate, 11.65; insoluble matter, 1.88.

Analysis made by Professor Edgar Everett of the State University at Austin, resembling very much the noted Carlsbad water.

The water is utilized and leased by Marlin Hotel and Sanatorium company. The sanatorium is a elegantly and modernly equipped for the accommodation of guests, with bath tubs, vapor bath rooms, and hot rooms, and a fine large pool 26x70 feet and ranging from 2 1/2 to 8 feet deep.

The water has remarkable curative properties for all forms of chronic skin and blood diseases, and chronic stomach troubles.

Mr. J. W. Jones, secretary of the company, has charge of the sanatorium and is ever ready to show any courtesy to visitors, or to furnish information to inquirers.

The Arlington Hotel, with Mr. C. C. Chittam, proprietor, is built on modern hotel plan, having forty-two bed rooms, with all but two outside exposures. It fronts south 120 feet and 100 feet back, three stories high, with walks and verandas; large airy dining hall; pool and billiard rooms.

The hotel is being very liberally patronized. Strangers are coming in daily and all are highly pleased with treatment and accommodations. Registered now and at the hotel are people from Petersburg, Canada, Omaha, Neb., St. Louis, Chicago and Cincinnati.

Marlin has had no business failure of any note for more than a year. All of the merchants are confident of future prosperity.

WANTED TO RENT.

WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping; state price and location. Address B. H. Gault, 211 Travis street, this office.

WANTED—To rent good hotel in small town by experienced hotel man and wife; would buy furniture if necessary. Address Box 1, Lufkin, Texas.

Office of Commissioner of Agriculture, Insurance, Statistics and History, Austin, Texas, January 11, 1897. To All Whom It May Concern: This is to certify that the PHOENIX INSURANCE Company of Hartford, Conn., has in all respects fully complied with the laws of Texas as conditions precedent to its doing business in this State, and that said company holds a Certificate of Authority from this office entitling it to do business in this State for twelve months from the 1st day of January, 1897, to the 1st day of December, 1897.

Given under my hand and seal, at office, in Austin, the day and date first above written.

A. J. ROSE, Commissioner.

Office of Commissioner of Agriculture, Insurance, Statistics and History, Austin, Texas, February 9, 1897. To All Whom It May Concern: This is to certify that the SPRINGFIELD FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE Company, of Springfield, Mass., has in all respects fully complied with the laws of Texas as conditions precedent to its doing business in this State, and that said company holds a Certificate of Authority from this office entitling it to do business in this State for twelve months from the 1st day of January, 1897, to the 1st day of December, 1897.

Given under my hand and seal, at office, in Austin, the day and date first above written.

A. J. ROSE, Commissioner.

CHAS. H. PESCAY, Special Agent.

TRADE OR EXCHANGE.

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FINE plantation, 1000 acres, and all improvements, on Oyster creek, Fort Bend county, for sale at a bargain. Mrs. Bettie Bryan, room 1, 1324 building.

FOR SALE—For cash, at a bargain, about four acres, with large residence, the highest point in city; also from one to twenty lots, all in Harland's addition, Fourth ward. For prices apply to Garrett Harland, administrator estate of F. Harland, deceased, 215 1/2 Congress avenue.

SNAPS IN CITY PROPERTY—2 1/2 lots (one a corner) in Third ward, \$1250. Splendid five-room cottage, on 50-foot lot, Third ward, \$1000; the lot alone worth \$1000.

Two beautiful lots, Third ward, \$1000. Five also lots, Fourth ward, near car line, with six-room house on same; must sell; price \$1500; worth \$2000.

Tracts of 40, 80 and 160 acres, twenty miles from Houston, \$10 per acre, 10 per cent cash and balance from two to ten years, 7 per cent interest.

148 acres of splendid timber land, 23 miles from Houston, \$250 per acre.

Tracts of 40, 80 and 160 acres, twenty miles from Houston, \$10 per acre, 10 per cent cash and balance from two to ten years, 7 per cent interest.

FOR SALE—Large tracts of very fine land in this and adjoining counties at reasonable prices. Mrs. Cora Ligon Foster, Moore-Burnett Building, 1013 Texas avenue.

FOR SALE—Furnished or unfurnished, nice six room cottage, near Webster street, Fourth ward. Apply to L. McDonald, 312 1/2 Congress avenue.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Two large connecting rooms, upstairs, bath on main floor; splendid location, 1117 Travis street.

FOR RENT—Cottages and two-story houses, any size, all parts city. Houston Moving and Storage Co., office, 212 Pannin. Phone 224. P. Chism.

FOR RENT—Two connecting front furnished rooms, with bath and modern conveniences, to gentlemen or couple without children; close in. Apply 1113 Travis street.

FOR RENT—Four room house, corner Pannin and Texas, all modern conveniences; a gem; \$20.00. R. B. Gault, 211 Travis street.

FOR RENT—Eight room house, completely furnished, modern conveniences; within eight blocks of Capitol hotel; references required. Apply 1407 Travis street.

FOR RENT—4 and 5 room houses, First ward, \$10. 4 and 5 room houses, Third ward, \$10. 4 and 4 room house, Third ward, \$10.

FOR RENT—Two very nice four room cottages, on Sherman street, Fourth ward, near Webster avenue, at \$8 each. Garrett Harland, 215 1/2 Congress avenue.

FOR RENT—10 acres fine dry land, 63 acres broken, near Alvin, Texas; can be put in fine of charge for cultivating cotton, etc. J. T. Alberta, 2018 Market.

ONE SIX ROOM and one large four room, nicely finished cottages, with underground cellar, on Montgomery avenue, car line; terms reasonable. Inquire 1006 Montgomery avenue.

WANTED—A tenant for sixty acres of good land near Harrisburg. Apply 1105 Chaplain street for further particulars.

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FURNISHED or unfurnished rooms for rent, with or without board. 508 San Jacinto street.

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TWO nicely furnished rooms, in a private family, where there are no children; close in, reasonable. 810 Louisiana street.

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